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(SBU) Poloff delivered reftel demarche to MFA Office of UN Issues Soeren Sandahl on Friday, December 12. He stated that Denmark supports in principle the recommendations of the UN's Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (ACABQ) on streamlining contracts and harmonizing conditions of service. They are not supportive of the Special Operations Approach at this stage. Denmark is familiar with the US proposal but has some concerns that the proposal will not adequately address the current problems, particularly relative to temporary contracts. Sandahl said that they remain open to the possibility of incorporating elements of the US proposal while not changing the thrust of what he described as the ACABQ proposal.  
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